

# Food Processing Workshop

# **Pickling**

#### Material:

- o Food processor
- o Cutting board & knife
- Sterilized jars and lids (10x 230 ml)
- o 1.5 kg zucchini
- o 1.5 kg bell peppers
- o 0.75 kg red onions
- o 1 L water, 1 L vinegar
- o 230 g sugar
- o 50 g salt
- 1 tablespoon pickling seasoning (mustard seeds, dill seeds, pepper, coriander, juniper berries, cloves, bay leaves, chilies, allspice)

#### Tasks

Produce the pickled vegetables

## Methods:

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Sterilize the jars and lids 100 °C for 30 minutes

#### Preparing Vegetables:

Wash, and remove non edible parts of the vegetables. Ensure that the vegetables are well-washed and free from any seeds or cores. Slice the zucchinis, bell peppers and the onions with the food processor

## Steaming:

Steam the vegetables for 3 minutes at 100 °C

#### Prepare the Brine:

In a separate pot, combine vinegar and water in a 1:1 ratio. For flavor, add sugar, salt, and spices. The exact amount depends on your taste. Heat the mixture and bring it to a brief boil.

# Layer the Vegetables:

Start by placing a layer of zucchini slices in the jar, followed by a layer of bell pepper strips, and then a layer of onion rings. Repeat this process until the jar is filled, with the vegetables sitting approximately 1 cm below the jar's rim.

#### Pickling the Vegetables:

Carefully pour the hot vinegar-water mixture over the vegetables in the mason jar, ensuring that the vegetables are completely submerged in the liquid.

#### Seal, Cool and Mature:

Immediately seal the jar with the lid and ring. Allow it to cool to room temperature. Store the



pickled vegetables in a cool, dark place for at least 1 to 2 weeks to allow them to fully marinate. The longer they mature, the more intense the flavor will become.

The product has a shelf life up to one year and above without cooling as it is